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September 1964

MISSION COVERAGE INDEX

MISSION [REDACTED] 2171 24 SEPTEMBER 1964
MISSION [REDACTED] 1153 25 SEPTEMBER 1964

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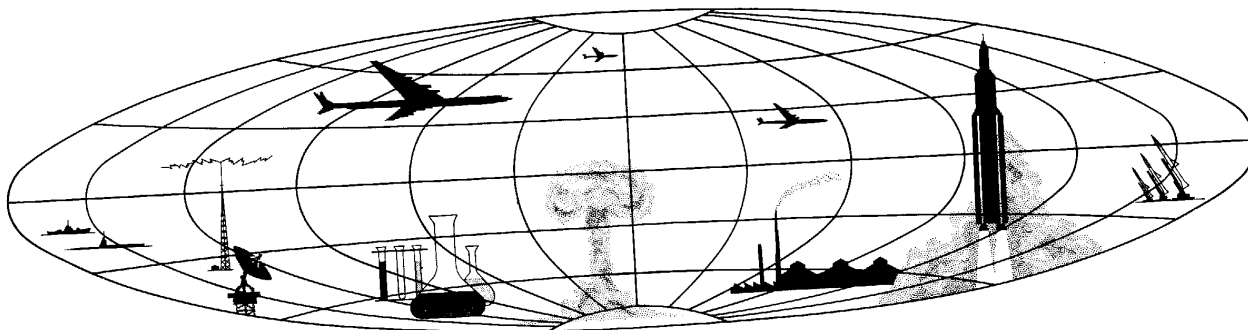


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PREFACE

25X1A THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 2171 DATED 24 SEPTEMBER 1964 AND 1153 DATED 25 SEPTEMBER 1964 COVERING LAOS. ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN TWO SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED 1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF

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COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION
OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000 AND
L004, 1/50,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE
SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A
RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE
AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL
TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED
PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH
THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS
ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED
ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE
INFORMATION.

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SECTION I

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN HOUET SANE, MILITARY AREAS TWO MILITARY AREAS IN BAN HOUET SANE VICINITY.</p> <p>AREA A -- NOT COVERED.</p> <p>AREA B -- NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE MISSION</p> <p>25X1D [REDACTED]</p> <p>BAN DONG, MILITARY AREAS THREE MILITARY AREAS IN BAN DONG VICINITY.</p> <p>25X1D AREA A (JUST NORTH OF BAN DONG ON WEST SIDE OF KOUSSON RIVER AT UTM [REDACTED] -- 3 DETERIORATED BUILDINGS IN APPARENTLY INACTIVE AREA.</p> <p>25X1D AREA B (AT THE INTERSECTION OF ROUTE 9 AND BAN DONG ROAD AT UTM [REDACTED] -- APPARENTLY INACTIVE CLEARED RECTANGULAR AREA WITH PERSONNEL TRENCHES AND NUMEROUS FIRING POSITIONS.</p> <p>25X1D AREA C (JUST NORTH OF ROUTE 9 AT UTM [REDACTED] -- 3 SMALL BUILDINGS IN APPARENTLY ACTIVE WOODED AREA.</p> <p>25X1D COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED]</p>	<p>1636N 10632E</p> <p>1638N 10625E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>		<p>217</p> <p>270</p>

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<p>BAN NA SI AREA, STRONGPOINTS FOUR STRONGPOINTS IN BAN NA SI VICINITY.</p> <p>AREA A (0.7 NM NW OF BAN NA SI) -- BUILDINGS DISMANTLED AND AREA IS ABANDONED.</p> <p>AREAS B, C, AND D -- NOT COVERED.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>BAN BAN AREA, MILITARY AREAS SIX MILITARY AREAS IN BAN BAN VICINITY (REFERENCED FROM BAN BAN).</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA A (1.2 NM NORTH AT UTM [REDACTED] -- IRREGULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 3 UNOCCUPIED POSSIBLE AAA POSITIONS.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA B (0.9 NM NNE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- 3 UNOCCUPIED AAA/AW POSITIONS ENCLOSED BY A TRENCH SYSTEM.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA C (2.1 NM NW AT UTM [REDACTED] -- 2 UNOCCUPIED POSSIBLE AAA POSITIONS ENCLOSED BY A TRENCH SYSTEM.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA D (ONE NM NE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- STRONGPOINT CONSISTING OF A CIRCULAR TRENCH AND 2 BUILDINGS OUTSIDE OF THE TRENCHWORK.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA E (1.2 NM NNE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- OBLONG TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 2 SHEDS.</p> <p>25X1D</p> <p>AREA F (1.1 NM ENE AT UTM [REDACTED] -- 25X1D CIRCULAR STRONGPOINT, APPARENTLY UNDER</p>	<p>1936N 10337E</p> <p>1939N 10333E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>		<p>159-E</p> <p>159-B</p>

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25X1D CONSTRUCTION, IS ENCLOSED BY A TRENCH SYSTEM WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS. [REDACTED]				
MISCELLANEOUS				
ROUTE 9				
25X1D SINGLE-LANE, NATURAL SURFACE, ALL-WEATHER ROAD IN FAIR CONDITION OBSERVED FROM 16-37N 106-30E TO 16-40N 106-12E.				
25X1D BRIDGE WASHED OUT AT UTM [REDACTED]. A FALLEN TREE OBSTRUCTS THE ROUTE AT UTM [REDACTED].				
25X1D NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. [REDACTED]				
JUNCTION OF ROUTES 6 AND 61				
ROUTE 6 OBSERVED FROM 19-38N 103-34E TO 19-40N 103-32E. ROUTE 61 OBSERVED FROM 19-38N 103-34E TO 19-40N 103-36E. BOTH ARE SINGLE- LANE, NATURAL SURFACE, LIMITED ALL-WEATHER ROADS WITH WATER-FILLED RUTS, BUT ARE TRAFFICABLE. NO VEHICLES OBSERVED. [REDACTED]				
25X1D				

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			BE	NPIC
-LAOS-				
AIR INSTALLATIONS			25X1A	
TCHEPONE AIRFIELD 25X1A	1643N 10612E	0617		124
COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED]				
25X1D [REDACTED]				
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
TCHEPONE, STRONGPOINT	1641N 10614E	0617		124-F
25X1D [REDACTED]				
25X1A TCHEPONE AREA, MILITARY AREAS	1642N 10613E	0617		124-C
COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED]				
25X1D [REDACTED]				

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COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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